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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group: 3763

Serial No: 10/687,281

Examiner: Aamer S. Ahmed

For: Medical Snare Loop with Indentations for Changing Effective Size of Loop and Associated Method

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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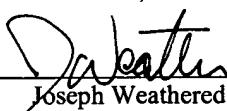
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AMENDMENT

S I R:

In response to the Office Action of August 3, 2006, applicant requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows. Pursuant to current practice, all pending claims, including original claims, previously presented claims, withdrawn claims, and currently amended claims, are presented below. Canceled claims are indicated as being canceled. Additions to the specification and claims are indicated by underlining, while deletions are indicated by strikethrough or double brackets.